

Indie films share critics' top prize

Pistons rout Heat, force Game 7

UBS report says RP 'over the hump'

Nancy Castiglione: 'Tina's lady'

Military report has no permit, says mayor



Better learning in 'fun' schools, survey shows

By Vincent Calabro

MANILA (CNN)—Grade school children who report a new round of classroom lessons which school opens today may find their teachers enjoying the lesson, too.

Teachers who attended the National Teachers' Education Conference (NETC) in



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Tale of the tape part of destabilization—Bunye

By Christian Bautista

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DepEd: Classroom lack down to 8,644



DREAM FOLDABLES
Members of the San Bede-Pangasinan Student Group are holding up a banner during the "DepEd" campaign in Manila. The group of Pangasinan students protest their schools' underfunding in the public.

Back to school today for 17M students

By Alvin Pappa and Michael Lee Uric

THE DEPARTMENT OF Education has eased the classroom shortage, it has reduced the classroom deficiency to only 8,644 from 57,590.

Education Secretary Florencio B. Musal said the problem of classroom shortage had been addressed, but the challenge was how to strengthen overcrowded schools, especially those in metropolitan communities.

The Dept. is ready to welcome 17.6 million students to school today, and high school seniors are expected to graduate today.

The student population is expected to increase by 1.68 million this year, with projections of 12,700,000 in the elementary level and 5,442,250 in the secondary level.

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Students	1,100	1,100	1,100
Expenditure	1,100	1,100	1,100
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Malacañang open to truth commission

By Christian O. Bautista, Alvin Pappa and Michael Lee Uric

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2 ex-gambling lords ready to link 'big names'

By Christian O. Bautista and T. Burgos

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Con-con call GMA way of defusing tensions

By Amanda Carroll

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SUMMITTER'S END
A large crowd of people gathered at night, possibly for a protest or rally.

Apologize or leave, RP envoy told

By Mike Chan

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Typhoon 'Dante' skirts RP

TYPHOON "Dante," the first major weather disturbance to cross the Philippine area of responsibility in the month of the local rainy season, will not hit landfall after all, and is expected yesterday to be on its way out of the country.

The Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Ser-

vices Administration (PAGASA), however, said it expects more rain as it has continued to enhance the southeasterly winds that will bring precipitation over western Luzon, the Bicol region, the Visayas and western Mindanao.

The weather bureau at 10 a.m. yesterday placed Dante's center in

to 400 km east of northern Luzon. It said Dante weakened slightly to a speed of 17 kph but was moving to a north-northeasterly direction, towards the northern island of Japan.

It was packing maximum sustained winds of up to 145 kph near the center and gustiness of up to 200 kph.

PAGASA forecasters expect Dante to be 500 km east of extreme northern Luzon this morning. It is expected to be 1,000 km east-northeast of extreme northern Luzon, or 270 km southeast of Okinawa, Japan, on Tuesday morning.

The typhoon will continue to enhance the prevailing south-

westerly windflow that will bring rains over most parts of the country, particularly western Luzon, the Bicol region, the Visayas and western Mindanao.

The public and the disaster-ordinance councils concerned have been advised to take appropriate action. *Manila Bulletin*

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Napocor sale behind sked, official admits

THE GOVERNMENT is unlikely to meet its goal of selling 50 percent of the power generating assets of state-owned National Power Corp. (Napocor) by the end of the month, a senior official said yesterday.

Francis Tangpasan, vice president of the House Energy Assets and Liability Management Corp., said that even if the government sold all 100 proposed coal-fired power plants over the month, it would not be enough to meet the target of selling half of Napocor's generating assets by end-June.

By the end of this year, the government had targeted to sell 70 percent of the generating assets of Napocor.

Tangpasan said the agency planned to speed up the privatization of state plants for the rest of the year by allowing Napocor to conduct preliminary research of the plants even before the formal start of the sales process.

Napocor, the state-owned power utility, has 100 coal-fired power plants, 30 gas plants and 10 hydropower plants. The total installed capacity of the plants is 10,000 megawatts.

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Peace seen in South by year-end

MANILA—The Philippine government hopes to reach an agreement to end a decade-long Muslim separatist rebellion in Mindanao before the end of the year, Defense Secretary Armin Luistro said here Sunday.

Overseen by the Philippine government, the peace process is scheduled to begin in late 2001 and will be conducted under the framework of a law covering the rights of indigenous peoples, while self-government would be modeled on an existing Muslim autonomous region in Mindanao.

These positive developments give us hope that a peace agreement will be reached before the end of this year," said Luistro in a speech on the last day of the Asia Security Conference organized by the London-based Institute for International Strategic Studies.

A peace agreement is seen as being critical in the fight against terrorism, as MILF forces in Mindanao have been identified as training grounds for militant groups such as the Jemaah Islamiyah (JI), the Southeast Asian affiliate of Osama bin Laden's al-Qaeda network.

A peace agreement with the MILF will result in the absolute

cess and the elimination of all of its members," Luistro said.

"We are also hopeful that a peace agreement with the MILF will show the line that will separate its moderate members, who will remain in the fold of the law from its radical elements who may have been providing support and sanctuary to local and foreign terrorists."

These included the 100 armed forces of the Philippines could focus on neutralizing these major elements," he said.

Says Tangpasan, the government will be using the Mindanao Training Center to build networks and share their deadly expertise.

Last month, the MILF opened its main training camp to foreign diplomats and agreed to have down Islamic militants on a government-owned list as a sign of goodwill.

MILF spokesperson Fajal Saludo said the group had agreed to lay down 10 battalions and MILF off-

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the. The center included the names of strategic Muslim rebels with possible links to the J and possibly to extremist groups, the Jemaah Islamiyah.

The MILF, which has a 10,000-strong guerrilla force and thousands of sympathizers, was left out in a peace pact reached between Manila and the Moro National Liberation Front (MNLF) in 1996.

Earlier this year, the government gave the MILF an incentive to accept provisions and absorbed more than 3,000 guerrillas into the Philippine military as officers and enlisted personnel.

Over and beyond these former MILF rebels were fighting "side by side" with Filipino troops in operations against the Jemaah Islamiyah.

To seal the strength of the Jemaah Islamiyah, failed to land in the kidnapping of foreigners, said Saludo to "have them out" from "more than 1,200" AFP



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not seek to deflect public anger and draw the country away from the perspective of a peaceful and orderly transfer of power, but to ensure that the military remains a force for good and not a force for evil, as it has been in the past.

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RP's Alcano stuns Yang, seizes title

FILIPINO longshot Ronnie Alcano played like a veteran all through the nail-biting final to stun the heavily favored Yang Ching-shun of Chinese Taipei, 11-6, and win the San Miguel Beer Asian 9-Ball Tour at the Robinsons Galleria Trade Hall in Ortigas.

Alcano, not given a good chance against an opponent who had ousted a pair of home-grown hopes on the way to the final, surprised everyone but himself in breaking out of a 5-5 deadlock on the way to his biggest ever international victory, worth \$10,000 (P540,000).

"I played my game and he made a few miscues," said Alcano in Filipino. "This victory is for the people who believe in me."

Alcano raced to an early 3-0 lead before Yang, who clinched the Tour's No. 1 ranking by making the semifinal, squared the duel at 5-5.

A couple of mistakes, including a scratch off a powerful break in the 16th rack, spelled doom for the Taiwanese as the Filipino zeroed in on the title, 10-6.

Earlier, Yang played the spoiler's role to the hilt as he edged hometown hero Efren "Bata" Reyes, 9-8, in the quarterfinals and then overpowered Gandy Valle, 11-7, to nail the championship duel with Alcano.



VALLE: No luck

Chao tops trickshot; Bustamante 2nd

TWO-TIME World Pool champion Chao Fong-pang of Chinese Taipei topped the inaugural Asian Trick-shot Masters tournament at the Robinsons Galleria Trade Hall yesterday. Chao shot the cue ball into a line of three balls then made the cue ball go past the rack and make a rapid arc toward the corner pocket to convert the 9-ball for two points and a total winning score of eight points. He won \$1,000 for his feat in the event organized by ESPN Star Sports. Francisco "Django" Bustamante ended up with six points, the same score of Yang Ching-shun of Chinese Taipei. Efren "Bata" Reyes settled for fourth place. The three earned \$300 each.

Alcano, meanwhile, turned back the favored Antonio "Nikoy" Lining, 11-7, in the semifinal.

Yang, who in beating Reyes averted an all-Filipino final four cast, shattered a 7-7 tie to trounce Valle, who had beaten him a few months ago in a rich Manila final.

Against Reyes, Yang stormed back from a 5-7 deficit to beat his Filipino rival and, in the process, clinch the overall Tour title.

The Taiwanese will have at least 200 Tour points after making it to the semifinals for the four straight time this year. Reyes will only get 150 points while fellow Filipino Gandy Valle, who made it to the semifinals, can obtain at most 170 points if he wins the Manila leg.

Valle survived 16-year-old Wu Chia-ching of Chinese Taipei, 9-8, taking advantage of four dry breaks by the teenager to steal the victory.

Puyat scion keeps Jakarta title with last-hole birdie

MARCEL Puyat canned a 25-foot birdie putt on the last hole to pull off a dramatic victory for the Philippines in the boys' 11-12 category of the Jakarta Asean Plus Junior golf championship at the Damai Indah Golf & Country Club in Indonesia, recently.

The 12-year-old Marcel, a sixth grader at Ateneo, clinched the title—his second straight in the class—on the par-5 18th hole, capping a relentless back-nine rally to win by one stroke over Nicolas Smits of Indonesia.

Puyat, a scion of the Puyat clan, struggled with a 79 and 77 in the first two rounds but came through with his best round of 74 on nines of 39-35 from the 6,400-yard men's white tees.

It was the second major victory

for Philippine jungolf this season after Miguel Tabuena prevailed in Thailand. The Jakarta tournament was participated in by kids from Taiwan, Korea, Thailand, Sri Lanka, Australia, India and Malaysia.

The Philippines' girls entries also figured well with Linnel de Villa, fourth in Class A play teaming up with Paulina Sotto to bag second place behind Thailand in girls' team play.

Debbie de Villa and Mia Piccio finished third and fifth, respectively, in the girls' Class B.

Meanwhile, Dottie Ardina placed second in girls' Class C in the Asia-Pacific championships in South Korea, with Wlen Superal finishing third in boys' Class C and Bino dela Paz fourth in Class D.

Golden Tour triumph of the Filipino spirit

TEN stages, close to 1,500 kilometers with little time to prepare in these hard times, the just-concluded Tanduary presents... Golden Tour 50@'05 was a triumph of the Filipino spirit more than anything else.

Warren Davadilla won his second title and the Colt 45 riders pedaled away with the team plum, but everyone in the field wound up as winners in the golden edition of the

summer spectacle on wheels.

Tanduary agreed to bankroll the event on such short notice, re-affirming the company's support to sports development.

"Sports have always had a soft spot in the heart of Dr. (Lucio) Tan," said Tanduary marketing manager Larry Li, caretaker of the second of two Tan teams in the Tour—the Guerrero Brandy Road Warriors.

Final standings

STAGE RESULTS

1. A. Marcelo, PLDT, 1 hour, 35 mins, 12 secs
2. M. Ramos, VAT Riders, same
3. C. Jasul, Colt 45, same
4. R. Hualda, Tourism, same
5. M. Mendoza, Touch Mobile, same
6. A. Benosa, Touch Mobile, same
7. J. Paras, Go 21, 44 seconds behind
8. W. Davadilla, Colt 45, 52 seconds
9. E. Paragoso, Tourism, same
10. E. Domingo, Guerrero Brandy, same
11. E. Obosa, Go 21, same
12. B. Ravina, Go 21, same
13. V. Quintia Jr., Metro Drug, same
14. E. Atillano, Metro Drug, 2:07 mins.
15. E. Feliciano, VAT Riders, same
16. A. Asuncion, Tourism, same
17. R. Tanguilig, PLDT, 2:20 mins.
18. A. Quirimit, Tourism, and 59 others, same

OVERALL INDIVIDUAL

1. W. Davadilla, Colt 45, 37 hours, 20 mins, 55 secs
2. E. Feliciano, VAT Riders, 6 mins, 41 secs behind
3. R. Tanguilig, PLDT, 13:25 mins
4. L. Atillano, Metro Drug, 16:18 mins
5. S. Diamsay, Tourism, 18:49 mins

6. J. Dasalla, Colt 45, 21:04 mins
7. D. Ganigan, Guerrero Brandy, 24:02 mins
8. A. Quirimit, Tourism, 24:27 mins
9. A. Benosa, Touch Mobile, 26:56 mins
10. D. Marafa, Colt 45, 29:06 mins
11. R. Navarro, Custom, 29:56 mins
12. B. Ravina, Go 21, 30:20 mins
13. F. Alagano, Metro Drug, 32:49 mins
14. M. Primero, Custom, 33:18 mins
15. E. Quinones, Custom, 36:03 mins
16. M. Reyes, Colt 45, 37:46 mins
17. S. Bamachea, Touch Mobile, 38:02 mins
18. R. Sambrano, Guerrero Brandy, 38:51 mins
19. M. McQuin Aleonar, VAT Riders, 39:17 mins
20. V. Muena, Guerrero Brandy, 39:44 mins
21. D. Huardin, Custom, 41:12 mins
22. G. Gines, Custom, 41:51 mins
23. O. Villanueva, VAT Riders, 42:08 mins
24. B. Lopez Jr., Metro Drug, 42:10 mins
25. R. Hualda, Tourism, 44:57 mins

OVERALL TEAM

1. Colt 45, 139 hours, 36 mins 41.932 secs
2. Tourism, 30 mins, 48.778 secs behind
3. Metro Drug, 33:50.431 mins
4. VAT Riders, 47:33.849 mins
5. Guerrero Brandy, 53:18.874 mins
6. Custom, 54:39.106 mins
7. Go 21, 1:05:17.333 hrs
8. Touch Mobile, 1:23:26.472 hrs
9. PLDT, 1:31:12.696 hrs.

The World

Editor Lawrence B. Garcia

GITMO BAY FALLOUT US blames 'few' jailers, media in Koran uproar

MANILA, June 3—The White House sought on Tuesday to minimize damage from new revelations about US personnel mishandling the Koran at the Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, prison, accusing a few people of violating policy and the media of blowing "isolated incidents" out of proportion.

It was the administration's latest innuendo against the press over stories at Guantanamo. Last month, the *Philippines Star* cited Newswatch and wrote as far as ask the magazine to help repair damage to America's image.

The US military on Friday rebuffed directly about the issue in which the Muslim holy book was burned, suggestion and sought to deny.

In new case, a graphic was splashed over a detainee and his Koran. Another in Guantanamo, a guard's uniform was on fire and "the wind blew his urine through the vest" and urine-soaked pants and shorts.

"It is unfortunate that some have chosen to take out of context a few isolated incidents by a few individuals without noting clear policies and practices of the overwhelming vast majority, the 95-99 percent, of our military personnel," said White House spokesperson Scott McClellan.

McClellan said he was referring to "some media coverage and some commentary."

"There were three times as many confirmed incidents of (the) abuse by detainees, a number which were far worse than the few isolated incidents of mishandling by a few individuals that violated military policies and practices," McClellan added.

"The military expects its high standards to be met, and does not tolerate or condone it when individuals do not—in this report, mistakes were," McClellan said.

The White House's hands were tied. President George W. Bush's House Homeland Security Committee report of an Agency International report which described the US detention center in Guantanamo as a gulag and said the United States was re-

sponsible for its upsurge in human rights violations around the world, threatened the magazine "abuse."

Last month, the White House blamed Newswatch magazine for damaging America's image in the Muslim world with a report that investigators had found at least one copy of the Muslim holy book down a toilet to try to make detainees talk.

Former Guantanamo prisoners and lawyers for detainees have long accused US personnel at Guantanamo of violating the human rights code.

With anti-American sentiment already strong in the Muslim world because of the US-led invasion of Iraq and prisoner abuse at Abu Ghraib prison in Baghdad, the Newswatch report sparked violent protests in Afghanistan, Pakistan, Indonesia and Iraq.

Under pressure, Newswatch attacked the report. But McClellan said at the time that the magazine should "help repair the damage that has been done, particularly in the region," by explaining "what happened and why they got it wrong." *Andrew*



NO MORE TOURISTS

Police dated July 12, 2004 shows Philippine marines searching a gorge in the northern Palawan area, a road closed, north of Subic Bay. A nearby volcano erupts says that there was a half year ago, the Sept. 11 terror attacks in 2001 and the subsequent US-led military assault which toppled Afghanistan's Taliban regime wiped Palawan off the world map.

Taiwan test fires its first cruise missile

TAIPEI—Taiwan has successfully test-fired its first cruise missile, which would allow the island to hit major military targets in southern China, a newspaper here reported Tuesday.

The Hsiung Feng cruise missile, developed by the military-run Chengshan Institute of Arms and Technology, has a range of 1,000 km and could be used to attack military bases in southern China, the China Times said.

"Once deployed, it would mark the first time that Taiwan is able to put 'strategic weapons' into use, its political and military impact would be far-reaching," the paper said.

The defense ministry declined to comment on the report.

The newspaper said Defense Minister Lee Jin-chen ordered the test firing of the missile from Chengshan military base in the southern Pingtung county. The missile flew over 100 km before hitting its target.

The report did not specify when the test took place but speculated that it could have been in March.

The missile is expected to go into pilot production later this year or next year.

Taiwan is working to build up its missile defense capabilities to counter the missiles from China, which officials say has targeted the island with at least 700 ballistic missiles. *AP*

Schroeder, Chirac want EU Charter process to go on

BRUSSELS—German Chancellor Gerhard Schröder and French President Jacques Chirac want other European Union countries to press on with drafting the bloc's constitution, despite its rejection by Finnish and Dutch voters.

The two leaders met in Berlin on Monday to discuss their position ahead of an EU summit this month following the rejection of the constitution in separate referendums in France and the Netherlands in the past week.

"The Chancellor and President Chirac were in agreement that the constitutional process must continue so that the views of each country are respected," German government spokesman Jochen Mecklenburg said after the two leaders met for dinner.

The heavily arranged morning to receive the two, who have both refused obliging requests from voters to reveal secrets, underlined the uncertainty surrounding the constitution in the wake of the referendum defeats.

French voters also felt the election in power "sets the tone" economic values and worried about losing jobs and that voters were about losing influence in an expanded bloc, have optimistic but not unshaking among European leaders more than in countries with an increasingly decentralized public.

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In Italy, European Commission President Jean-Michel Barroso urged the EU to "have a crisis over an opportunity" and "avoid going over the financial capital and the welfare state."

An important indication about their indication could come on Monday when the British government may signal whether it will delay a planned referendum on the constitution.

The constitutional issue has come as EU leaders are negotiating for an agreement over the next six months for the bloc for the 2007 treaty, which has been held up by the refusal of major member states, including Germany, to increase their payments.

The problems over the two have been raised by opposition marks over how the enlarged EU will be capable of functioning in coming years.

Just announced comments from Schröder that Germany was prepared to be flexible in such a deal over the budget and said that other countries had to act as well.

"Germany is ready to move on the budget and that will be said in the context," he said but gave no details. But's



FOLLOWING WEDDING

Newly wed couples at a Hindu wedding ceremony displayed by the bride and groom at a camp in the Ganges valley near the Indian city of Varanasi, June 3. The bride and groom, dressed in traditional Indian attire, were seen at the camp on Sunday.

In Japan, saving energy is the patriotic thing to do

TOKYO—Rising oil prices and growing concern about warming targets to cut greenhouse gases produced by burning fossil fuels have stirred efforts around the world to improve energy efficiency, but perhaps nowhere is the concern greater than in Japan.

Even though Japan is already among the most fuel-efficient in the world, the government urged the Japanese to replace their older automobiles and buy hybrid vehicles, all part of a patriotic effort to save energy and fight global warming, but big firms are jumping on the band-

wagon, pointing out the drivers to be more aware of their lower fuel bills.

"It's like squeezing a dry towel" for the last few drops, said Tetsuo Tanaka of Mitsubishi, maker of the Japanese brand. "The honest feeling of Japanese people, they want to do more." AOT

Spaniards assail talks with ETA

MADRID—Hundreds of thousands of people marched through Madrid on Sunday in protest against the government's controversial offer of talks with Basque separatist group ETA.

Victims of ETA attacks and their relatives had protesters from all over Spain, carrying placards saying "No negotiation in my name" and "Murderers in power."

They marched at the scenes of two of the bloodiest ETA car bombings—one that killed 193 people in June 1995 and another that killed 12 in July 1996.

Organizers said a million took part but officials' estimates ranged from 250,000 to 500,000. Reuters

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Indie films share critics' top prize

By Howard Sam Diego, Jr.

THE MARCHES downpour and ensuing flash flood failed to dampen the spirit of independent film makers who cynically say: this year's Cannes awards, the country's top critics' prize for movies.

The 2000 Chemical Union, headed out by the Massachusetts Pe-

Spending: Fitness, was held at the
ATP Theatre in Canary Wharf, London
on June 4.

In spite of the "integrated" name, independent filmmakers were calling for a "revolution in film cinema" within sections of army units in England.

"The Roadways are open, no dangerous situations are now here," declared Paul J. Tishko.

"The door is opening for us," signed actor-director-producer Montano. "It is encouraging to know that even small movies like

It was Winston's first time in wife or husband, as if looking up for the first time, he would know with these major graphics that night: low Ferrari, Best Director and Best Actor. "It inspires us to work those with our work and keep producing quality movies," Winston concluded his wife when

Directed Lat-Man, who worked on "Vengeance" for 10 years.

extended army with the first

It's sweet indication for the married *Mimulus*, who labor under (and) come against the dominant male system. "At first said, There is no reason not to make good power now (that we are all free)," that old business Declaration.

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The Best Short Film award went to "Sumo" by Irit Carolina and Consuelo Naranjo. Recently, "Sumo" won the Best Film prize for Carolina at the 70th Annual International Human Rights Documentary Film Festival in Prague.

award. The actor Jon Sorenson, was honored with a Lifetime Achievement award (Lifetime

ing-themed films) for his inspired use today of words... particularly for such iconoclastic statements as "Black W," "Shogun," "Silver Skies I," "Sun Kiss" and "Tokaido 76."

Best Supporting Actor to Mays by name for "Miles." Best Supporting Actor was given to Ben (the nominee for Calista for "Signs").

"Subel," for its part, grabbed two trophies: Best Supporting Actor for Wendell Brown and Best Actress for Judy Ann

"It makes all my last work for the past 10 years worth it," Jones continued.

A political figure who served Ramon's sentence and learned with happiness to sleep. It was a fitting reward, she believed, after going through the toughest test in her career, adhering to her secret trade with the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) for several years in 2002.

Other winners were: for Best Production Design: Paul Ruggieri, Jim Schubert and Robert Wood, "Endless Love" (Loving Familyway Pictures); Best Cinematography: Elly Grit, "Pangloss in Love"; Best Music Scoring: George Benmouni, "Pangloss in Love"; and,

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to.'

Bring an umbrella, Pagasa tells students

By Ed Hays

DON'T forget your notebook, notebook and books when you go to school today.

That is the advice of a geneticist: more variable literature after and rain would likely give thousands of windows and teachers in blue. Months as they wrap back to school today.

"Expect more rain, particularly early in the morning," said Nancy Munn, duty forecaster at the Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration.

...those said "moderns" are? exposed as they. Mania already means those 60 millionaires of this, enough to flood some areas.

use, Moreau Maude will have "mostly cloudy skies with rain showers and thunderstorms," with light to moderate winds blowing from the southwest and

Although a storm, Typhoon "Bumi," was expected to move away from the Philippines, it is still a very dangerous rain, particularly in Western Luzon and Western Manila. About said.

The rains will be even stronger than the heavy downpour that fell on Silver Master last Sunday, the meteorologist said.



school students are expected to start classes today. Many others

about school days. Many students in grades 7 and 8 are encouraged of possible class suspensions, so they would not have to see the suspension directly.

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9th Asian Pacific Congress on Cardiac Rehabilitation

June 9-10, 2005 EDSA Shangri-La Hotel, Mandaluyong City

Messages

Greetings

On behalf of the Organizing Committee, it is with great pleasure that we invite you to attend the 9th Asian Pacific Congress on Cardiac Rehabilitation to be held in Manila on June 9 and 10, 2005. Several topics of interest for cardiovascular specialists, rehabilitation experts, as well as personnel staff and postgraduate trainees are being lined up with a combination of well-recognized experts available within our membership of the Society. The scientific sessions include primary lectures on the evolution of Cardiac Rehabilitation in the Asia Pacific region and the current status of CARR with respect to practice guidelines in the region. Scientific presentations are also invited which represent the core members of Cardiac Rehabilitation; plus updates on selected sub-developer topics. These topics represent the holistic aspects of cardiac rehabilitation in particular to the conference theme: "Cardiac Rehabilitation: Towards an Integrated Cardiovascular Care".

We look forward to meeting you in the Philippines in June 2005 and for a lighter note, we have also arranged extensive social events to complement the scientific aspects of the symposium.

See you soon and Malasakit!

Angelo S. Sibulo, Jr., MD
General Chairman

Leonard B. Banzag, MD
Scientific Committee

Program

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7:00-8:00	REGISTRATION	
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BUSINESS

'Hot money' inflows soar to \$1.8B in January-May

By Serio-C. Dumlao

NET FOREIGN portfolio or "hot money" inflows to the country hit \$1.8 billion in the first five

months of the year, more than 12 times the level in the same period last year, the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas reported.

\$67 million in foreign investments

Drummond said. "The sharp increase in the net portfolio investment inflows can be attributed to the generally favorable outlook on the economy that generally is

the government's fiscal reform program that has already resulted in a budget surplus in April, the first time in four years, and a lower-than-expected cumulative

budget deficit for the first five months of the year."

The estimated portfolio inflows of \$1.8 billion were for the period Jan. 1 to May 31, com-

pared with the \$150.8 million during the same period in 2000 and the \$440.5 million for the whole of 2001.

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Gov't OKs payment of P220-M PNR debts

By Melinda K. Riano

THE NATIONAL government, while paying state-owned firms to become financially independent, has authorized the treasury bureau to release P220 million in loans from Philippine National Railways (PNR) to state-owned companies.

The national government, as stated by the chairman of a number of GOCCs, is committed to provide necessary assistance to state-owned firms and give state-owned companies more time to become financially independent.

Also, P220 million from the Department of Finance to pay obligations estimated by GOCCs that they would be liable for the interest to protect themselves against the costs.

But the state-owned firms are required to pay the government's back, as the state-owned firms are required to pay.

The Department of Finance, head agency of the Bureau of the Treasury, said in a statement that the estimated obligations of PNR consisted of a P200 million loan from Export Finance Corporation (EFC), the loan from EFC was due last May 15, while the loan from PNR will mature on June 28.

The PNR should continue their operations and administration, that loan is that they will be able to continue their operations with their own resources. The loan from PNR to the state-owned firms is a loan from the government, Finance Secretary Cesar Purisima said in a statement.

Purisima said the DTF has adopted a policy of providing financial support to GOCCs, and that he will continue to support the state-owned firms to improve their financial standing because the DTF will not release their loans for long.

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MOBILE TECHNOLOGY

Poro Point starts P80-M project

By Benedito Domingo

DORIS Point Management Corp. said it had started a P70-million project to enhance the development of the beach area in La Urua in a location, recreational and environmental.

PTDC is a subsidiary of the Bureau of Development Authority in charge of making the beach an attractive area for tourists.

PTDC president, Antonio Adriano said the project aims to transform the beach into a modern beach resort.

Adriano said the package included a P60.9 million road network project, that raised a 4.3 kilometer concrete pavement and 1.1 km. gravel-based paved road.

Another project is the P12.9 million San Francisco Golf

Course, a newly completed 18-hole golf course in the area.

He said the military site "transformed into a modern beach resort" provides a panoramic view of the beach from the sea and the beach of 140 km.

Adriano said the beach project involved the acquisition of a P2-million water facility that would enhance the recreational value of the San Francisco beach.

He said the water facility was part of the ongoing rehabilitation of the airport to comply with the standards of the International Civil Aviation Organization.

The San Francisco Airport is controlled by the Air Transportation Office in a secondary airport serving as an alternate to the Manila Airport in Baguio City.

Navy names adviser for Fort Boni project

THE PHILIPPINE Navy has assigned the Development Branch of the Development (DB) to select a consultant and prepare advice for the expansion of a 44.7-hectare property in Fort Boni into a modern residential and commercial development.

The DB said the selected Bureau de Landa would lead the P10-billion development project to be included in local government.

Dr. Landa said DB would prepare a study for the best option for the financing of the project and the development of the property. The study will also assist the Navy in developing a project to be included in the property.

The DB will also help coordinate the project of converting the property into a modern development.

The property is the Navy's 44-hectare property.

The Navy said the Navy was going up the golf course in the

changes in development in the property. The DB said the project aims to expand the 44.7-hectare property into a modern residential and commercial development.

The project is expected to include the housing building within the property.

It said 12 hectares of the property will be set aside for the housing of Navy personnel and for retired American officers of the Navy who are part of the AFP Officers Village Association.

In Landa said under the proposed development scheme, the property development would be divided into two sections: a 20-hectare section for the Navy personnel and the 24-hectare section for the retired American officers. The property would be used by the Navy after the transfer period.

CJHDevo preparing for legal showdown

CJHDevo Inc. Development Corp. is preparing itself for a legal battle in the event the government plans to plan to bring an action in the Supreme Court.

"We are ready to take the Bureau of Development Authority (BDA) to court if it decides to change the project," said CJHDevo president, Antonio Adriano. "We are ready to take the BDA to court if it decides to change the project." Adriano said the BDA is not ready for a legal showdown. He said the BDA is not ready for a legal showdown.

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BUSINESS

House body OKs insurance for pre-need firms

Pre-need insurance unit will safeguard educational plan holders, solon says

By Elizabeth L. Sanchez

THE HOUSE committee on appropriations has approved a proposal to set up the Philippine Pre-need Insurance Corp. (PPIC), a body that will cover troubled pre-need firms.

According to members of the Senate and Exchange Commission, the special body will promote and safeguard the interests of plan holders by providing insurance coverage on all pre-need contracts to support the pre-need industry. The House committee's approval is a

crucial step toward the allocation of a budget for the proposed body, the solon said.

The bill, authored by the committee on Banks and Financial Institutions under Rep. Arsenio Lapus of the second district of Manila, will be up for its third and final reading before the House of Representatives.

Once approved, the PPIC will become a government-owned and controlled corporation attached to the SEC, said Lapus. Lapus, Commission Secretary,

The PPIC will also administer the insurance fund for pre-need firms. The insurance government will administer P50 million to set up the fund.

To help build up the fund, collections from pre-need firms will be used, as well as reserves for insurance and financial institutions and related savings.

The insurance unit will cover pre-need firms considered closed due to insolvency.

It was also proposed that the new body should be given the authority to borrow from the Budget Secretary's Office

for insurance purposes. The amount must not exceed a total of P500 million in any one year.

The BSP, however, has expressed its reservation on this provision since the PPIC would not be under its supervision.

It was proposed that the PPIC be under the supervision of the Department of Finance.

Lapus, who is the chair of the House Committee on Banks and Financial Institutions, earlier filed the bill concerning the Philippine Pre-need Insurance Corp. that will be concerned with the

Philippine Deposit Insurance Corp. (PDIC).

"Given the PPIC, the insurance can be increased," Lapus said and said that the PPIC, which covers liabilities of banks, should be added to the bill to complete the series of Congress to give the insurance Commission the authority to supervise pre-need companies.

The pre-need industry body has taken a leading role since 1993 from the College Assurance Plan Philippines Inc. (CAP) and Pacific Plans Inc. into its financial problems.

Live up to your promise, PPI told

THE DEPOSITORS and Exchange Commission is urging troubled pre-need firm Pacific Plans Inc. to live up to its promise that it will not make "sufficient funds" to honor its tuition support obligations.

PPIC's obligation to plan holders for the current school year runs up to P50.1 million.

PPIC temporarily has cut off its funding support to 24,000 plan holders after the SEC revealed the failure of Lifetime Planline, which used to be a subsidiary of PPIC.

As a result of the SEC order, Lifetime will again become a unit of Pacific Plans.

According to PPIC, the SEC's order to create PPIC's incorporation will affect the rehabilitation of Pacific Plans.

PPIC has put up P50.1 million in various fund for the parents school year. Additionally, it has been personally contributed P250 million to the fund. The proposed rehabilitation plan will account for the remaining P34.1 million.

Of the said P50.1 million, PPIC has set in motion P36.1 million to plan holders. The firm has deferred the release of the funds until it has cleared some issues with the SEC.

The SEC also said in a statement that PPIC should not use the cancellation of the certificate of incorporation of its subsidiary Lifetime Planline Inc., as a reason to "freeze" on its tuition payments.

"The incorporation papers of Lifetime have been filed in all its commitment PPIC made to the Malabon court to give tuition support to its traditional plan holders while its petition for rehabilitation is pending in court," SEC said in a statement.

It also said that PPIC's tuition support was approved by the Malabon regional trial court when PPIC filed its petition for rehabilitation. It pointed out that the SEC did not have any jurisdiction in this order.

"It is between PPIC and the court," the SEC said. "It will be revealed that PPIC applied for rehabilitation while it was in the middle of discussions with the SEC for the recognition of its corporate structure in their alleged financial problems."

The SEC also said that although Lifetime's certificate has been revoked, the company can use its trust fund to pay for maturing plan loans without the prior approval of the SEC.

All that is required of Lifetime is that it must inform the SEC of withdrawal from the trust fund and the names of the plan holders whose policies have lapsed.

"There is no reason for Lifetime to complain that the cancellation of its certificate of incorporation has prevented it from avoiding its maturing obligations," SEC said.

Two groups of planholders have asked the SEC to order PPIC to keep paying tuition fees for the school year after PPIC abruptly stopped the release of P34.1 million in funds.

The Coordinating Alliance for Students & Employees Inc. (CASPES), representing about 5,000 PPIC planholders, are urging the pre-need firm to continue to provide to provide financial aid.

"Many plan holders are paying their dues on such insurance to ensure the enrollment of their children this coming school year... such an enactment should cover the whole school year and not merely the first semester enrollment," CASPES said and Arago Perland said.

The groups said that SEC's decision to suspend the registration of Lifetime has immediately down a drastic program from PPIC to support the tuition for students in pre-need plan holders. The members have appealed to the SEC to reconsider its decision.

"This school opening just around the corner, the pre-need company must plan holders to the enrollment of their children would be left hanging in the air of maturing while the commission and PPIC engage in legal squabbles," the two groups wrote in their letter to the SEC.

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JEWELRY by Luningping and Lualaba Doran

Like father, like daughters

By Doris R. Mathis
Contributor

THE SAYING that the apple doesn't fall far from the tree stands true for multi-colored Filipino artist Edgardo Doran and his four daughters—Luningping, Lualaba, Arden and Yvonne, as they took center stage in their first family exhibit, "Glimpses," at the Philippine Center in New York City.

From May 25-June 3, New York City witnessed the creative genius of the Doran family from Edgardo's paintings and paintings by his daughters' skills in the visual arts, photography and jewelry design.

Over the years, Edgardo Doran's visual language and still life paintings have been exhibited all over the country and in countries including Singapore, Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur and the United States.

According to Doran, "it is not a profession or a business... it is a life itself. I breathe it, I'm working."

He, the father, Edgardo's well-known style of bringing life to the canvas, as well as sculpture, was truly new.

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have also brought to life in vibrant water colors, such as "Old Manila," "Three boats" and "Hacienda."

His creative talent has recognized in international competitions in France and in this is the same way that his paintings were awarded from the Society of Philippine Designers and the Art Association of the Philippines. Because of this, Edgardo was included in the 2000 Outstanding Artists and Designers of the 20th Century by the International Biographical Center in Cambridge, England.

SHARED ART

Taking after him, of course, are his daughters—Luningping, 33, and Lualaba, 27; Arden, 24, and Yvonne, 21.

Luningping, a mother, mother and producer planning and control aspect for Doran's Marketing Corporation, focuses designing brands and personal connections.

She describes photography along with Lualaba, a research intern for the advertising agency Campaigns and Arts. As kids, Luningping and Lualaba had been exposed to painting by their mother and grandmother had a real collection of framed jewelry. Because of this, according to them, they were able to appreciate the impact of her and her family.

They make it a point, however, is not product similar pieces but instead make each one as unique as possible. "It's kind of home (inheritance) Lualaba explains."

As much as possible, the Doran siblings prefer to use antique and natural local beads and materials for their pieces.

There is no limit to this, however. Luningping and Lualaba enjoy using photography as much, with the former preferring landscapes while the latter is more into fashion in their pieces.

"There's no theme," Lualaba explained.

On the other hand, Arden and Yvonne



EDGARD with daughters (clockwise from left) Luningping, Arden, Lualaba and Yvonne

also seem to have taken after their father's interest in paintings. Arden is a life psychology graduate at the University of Saint Thomas and recently receiving a degree in Nursing at the Philippine Women's University while Yvonne is an AR Architecture student, also in UP.

Arden goes far back out of drawing caricatures of friends and family.

Aside from that, she also finds value in writing poems, having participated in poetry slams at a grade school, and she was also a member of the St. Nicholas and Creative Writers Guild and the Starlight, UNF's official student publication.

Stannis, meanwhile, is the closest, at times, to her father, spending a significant amount of time with the art of jewelry and open space.

"Glimpses" will be the second exhibit for Arden and Yvonne after participating in an exhibit in 2006 for Tagalog (Tagalog) by Kalamang, 2006 "House No."

With the realization of "Glimpses" comes the affirmation that art is alive in the Doran family.

Arden said on his always been fun and interesting for the family of arts.

"It has to be," she said. Luningping couldn't agree more. "It gives us a common sense of fulfillment and meaning."



"MARINA Bay"

Camille de la Rosa exhibit in Malaysia

CAMILLE de la Rosa has opened an art exhibit at the Kuala Lumpur in Malaysia, in connection with the 120th anniversary of Philippine Independence. The show is organized by the Philippine Consulate in cooperation with Philippine Artists and the Filipino community in Kuala Lumpur.

The young impressionist shows her own works featuring seascapes and Malaysian landscapes.

In Manila, Camille de la Rosa's most recent works can be viewed at Gallery 808, 475, Elangor Mall, Mandaluyong City.

During the occasion, ribbon-cutting ceremony will be held at the Philippine Consulate in Kuala Lumpur, with the presence of Consul General and Richard Nagel, general manager of Elangor Mall.

Aside from the exhibit, other cultural activities will be held from June 5-12 on the occasion of the festival, local products and cuisine, dance, independence Day, music, medical mission and therapy for



Artist Camille de la Rosa with her son, Camille's exhibit in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

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LIFE STYLE



The guileless art of Anthony Fermin

By Lisa B. Zulueta

THESE is no guile in the works of Cebuano artist Anthony Fermin. His new show, "Kasapi" (or the One Like Us) at the One Like Us Gallery in Eastwood starting tomorrow, is a collection of typically joyous Filipino scenes in joyous colors that somehow paint the stoic and revealing of an artist who is

confidently optimistic. It is tempting to call him an "optimist." At the least, it can be called guileless and unpretentious.

The star is in the title of the exhibit. Fermin is happy to "Kasapi" or "Kasapi" "Kasapi" is every people's dream," Fermin said, who ends to record the happy scenes in his work during the years of his childhood in the new show. For such a concept, it is probable that the entire de-

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